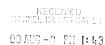
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Office of the Chief Regulatory Branch

National Park Service, Channel Islands National Park Attention: Tim Setnicka Channel Islands National Park 1901 Spinnaker Dr. Ventura, California 93001-4354

Dear Mr. Setnicka:

We received the DEIS for the Anacapa Island Restoration Project (AIRP), dated June 2,000. The stated purpose of the AIRP is to eradicate non-native rats from Anacapa Island and keep other islands rat-free. It appears the proposed project would not result in any Corpsregulated activities. Consequently, we will not be providing comments on the DEIS.

Please be advised a Corps of Engineers permit is required for:

- a) structures or work in or affecting "navigable waters of the United States" pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899. Examples include, but are not limited to,
- constructing a pier, revetment, bulkhead, jetty, aid to navigation, artificial reef or island, and any structures to be placed under or over a navigable water;
 - 2. dredging, dredge disposal, filling and excavation;
- b) the discharge of dredged or fill material into, including any redeposit of dredged material within, "waters of the United States" and adjacent wetlands pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act of 1972. Examples include, but are not limited to,
- creating fills for residential or commercial development, placing bank protection, temporary or permanent stockpiling of excavated material, building road crossings, backfilling for utility line crossings and constructing outfall structures, dams, levees, groins, weirs, or other structures;
- 2. mechanized landclearing, grading which involves filling low areas or land leveling, ditching, channelizing and other excavation activities that would have the effect of destroying or degrading waters of the United States;
- 3. allowing runoff or overflow from a contained land or water disposal area to re-enter a water of the United States;

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- 4. placing pilings when such placement has or would have the effect of a discharge of fill material;
 - c) any combination of the above.

If you believe your project includes any of the above activities which require Corps authorization, or if you have any questions, please contact me at (805) 641-3753. Please refer to this letter and 200001629-LM in your reply.

Sincerely,

Lisa Mangione Project Manager

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